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Applicant(s) have the following additional comments:

The cited reference is a portion of the Japanese book "Encyclopedic Dictionary of Computer Science"; for completeness, both the cover and the last page of the book are included (the last page bears the publication date, 5/25/1990). An English translation of the text following the phrase "sequential access memory" is also submitted herewith.

As a concise explanation of relevance, it will be appreciated that this reference notes a sequential access memory also is called a serial access memory, and discusses aspects of sequential access memories.

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Favorable consideration and prompt allowance of this application is respectfully requested. In the event that there are any questions, or should additional information be required, please contact Applicant'(s) attorney at the number listed below.

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